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SUBJECT: GRENADIAN UFO CRUSADE:DEJA VU

1. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AGENCY OR A DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS FOR UNDERTAKING, COORDINATING AND DISSEMINATING THE RESULTS OF RESEARCH INTO UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS AND RELATED PHENOMENA (UNGA ITEM 126) IS SCHEDULED TO BE TAKEN UP BY THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE (SPC) ON 27 NOVEMBER. UNDAUNTED BY A LACK OF RESPONSE TO THE ITEM DURING AND SINCE THE 32ND UNGA, PRIME MINISTER GAIRY HAS APPARENTLY LAID THE GROUNDWORK FOR A BLITZKRIEG SALES PITCH WHICH WILL INCLUDE A CAST OF SUPPORTERS RANGING FROM SCIENTISTS TO ASTRONAUTS, SUPPLEMENTED BY A HOLLYWOOD FILM PRODUCTION.

2. MISSION HAS LEARNED THAT GRENADA'S MINISTER OF EDUCATION, DR. FRIDAY, WILL INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION (AS YET NOT DISTRIBUTED) TO THE SPC FOLLOWED BY TESTIMONY FROM FOUR OR FIVE EXPERTS POSSIBLY INCLUDING: DR. J. ALLEN HYNEK (U.S. ASTRONOMER), DR. JACQUES VALLEE (FRENCH ASTRONOMER), DR. CLAUDE POHER (FRENCH UFO STUDY GROUP), DR. DAVID SAUNDERS (PSYCHOLOGIST), AND
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FORMER ASTRONAUT GORDON COOPER (V.P. WALT DISNEY R&D). WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR BRINGING THE GROUP TOGETHER IS PRODUCER E. LEE SPEIGEL WHO HAS PRODUCED AN AUDIO VISUAL PRESENTATION WHICH WILL FOLLOW THE TESTIMONY OF THE "EXPERTS". ALL OF THE ABOVE LISTED PERSONS HAVE BEEN OFFICIALLY ACCREDITED TO THE UNGA BY GRENADA.

3. TWO MEETINGS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED FOR THIS ITEM BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SPC. PRESUMABLY DELEGATES WILL BE GIVEN A DAY OR SO TO DIGEST THE INFORMATION PRESENTED AND THEN RETURN TO ACT ON THE RESOLUTION.

4. THUS FAR ONLY TWO COUNTRIES HAVE GONE ON RECORD WITH A POSITION ON THE GENERAL PROPOSAL. SEYCHELLES SUPPORTED THE IDEA WHILE INDIA REJECTED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE UN AGENCY OR COMMITTEE BUT SUGGESTED THAT SOME DISCUSSION OF UFO'S COULD BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE BROADER CONTEXT OF THE "EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE/INTELLIGENCE" ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE OUTERSPACE COMMITTEE. THERE APPEARS TO BE VERY LITTLE INTEREST ON THE PART OF MOST DELEGATES TO PURSUE THIS MATTER. NEVERTHELESS GRENADA WILL PRESS FORWARD UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM GAIRY WHO SEES HIS COUNTRY AS HOST OF A CENTER FOR UFO RESEARCH.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONS ON U.S. POSITION TO BE TAKEN IN THIS MATTER AS WELL AS DESIRED LEVEL OF VISIBILITY. LAST YEAR GRENADA REQUESTED OUR SUPPORT AND MISOFF HAD TO SCRAMBLE HARD BEHIND THE SCENES TO WATER DOWN THE RESOLUTION AND, IN EFFECT, DELAY A VOTE FOR ONE YEAR. ANOTHER CONSIDERATION IS WHETHER TO ISSUE A DISCLAIMER ON STATEMENTS MADE BY U.S. CONFIDENTIAL

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NATIONALS ON THE GRENADIAN DELEGATION. IF LAST YEAR'S INSTRUCTIONS STILL OBTAIN, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE INDIAN SUGGESTION WOULD BE ABOUT AS FAR AS WE WOULD BE WILLING TO GO ON THE ISSUE. LEONARD

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